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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 23, 2004, Applicants hereby submit the following Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111. Inasmuch as the three-month shortened statutory period was originally set in the Office Action to expire on December 23, 2004, Applicants hereby request an extension of time for three (3) months and are concurrently filing a formal Request for Extension of Time, together with all requisite fees therefor. If for any reason the formal Request for Extension of Time is not associated with the file at the Patent and Trademark Office or the extension fee is deficient, this should be considered to be an express request for any extension of time and authorization is hereby provided to charge any necessary fees to maintain the pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Entry of the following Amendment and reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of record are respectfully requested.

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected on the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

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